

REGISTRATION FORM
GS COURSE III – April 1 - 2, 2019
GS COURSE IV – April 3 - 4, 2019
May take Course III & IV separately

NGC Members

Course III Fee: \$65.00 _____
2 days (April 1 - 2, 2019)
Course III Exam Fee: \$8.00 _____
Refresher Fee: \$5.00 _____

Course IV Fee: \$65.00 _____
2 days (April 3 - 4, 2019)
Course III Exam Fee: \$8.00 _____
Refresher Fee: \$5.00 _____

Course III and IV: \$120.00 _____
Course III and IV Exam: \$10.00 _____

Total Due: _____

Registration Deadline: **March 18, 2019**
No Refunds will be given after this date.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

NGC Members:

Club: _____

District #: _____

____ Master Gardener

____ I am taking this course as a Refresher
to maintain my Consultant's Certificate
(no exam required)

____ Need overnight accommodation?

Include check for the total amount payable to:
Lakewood Ranch Garden Club

Mail registration form and check to:

Phyllis Weber
6610 Meandering Way
Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
(941) 758-5191

National Garden Clubs, Inc. provides education,
resources, and national networking opportunities
for its members to promote the love of gardening,
floral design, and civic and environmental
responsibility.

The NGC Gardening Courses are designed to
provide educational information to those
especially interested in gardening, horticulture
and related subjects.

The school consists of a series of four courses,
followed by a general examination. Courses
cover all aspects of growing, from understanding
soil structure to pruning techniques, plant
identification, etc.

The courses are intended primarily for garden
club members, but they are also open to the
general public, requiring only the payment of a
nominal fee.

Garden club members completing the series of
four courses are awarded the designation of NGC
Gardening Consultant. Attendees from the public
may attain Consultant status by joining a garden
club during the school series or shortly after
completion

For more information on the Gardening
School, see the National Garden Clubs,
Inc. website: www.gardenclub.org



NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
PRESENTS:

Gardening School

Series 7
Course III and IV

April 1 – 4, 2019
The River Club
6600 River Club Blvd,
Bradenton, FL 34202
8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sponsored by:
Lakewood Ranch Garden Club
Founded 2002



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Course III - Highlights

FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE PLANT GROWTH

- A. Environmental factors
- B. Nutrients - organic, inorganic
- C. Plant/cultivar choices

NEW PLANT DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION

- A. Hybridization
- B. Cultivar selection - Include Native Plants and Nativars
- C. Environmental suitability
- D. Test gardens

CONTAINER GARDENING - OUTDOOR

- A. Plants suitable for containers
- B. General culture
- C. Types of containers

HOUSEPLANT BASICS

- A. Growing conditions indoors
- B. Plant choices
- C. Training and pruning
- D. Types of indoor containers (Single container, combination plantings, dish gardens, terrariums)

TEACHING TOUR OF Marie Shelby BOTANICAL GARDEN

- A. Indoor and outdoor plants
- B. Annuals, perennials, trees, shrubs, container plants, wildflowers, etc.

SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECT

Visit test garden where new varieties are grown.

Required Reading

"The National Gardener" magazine purchased from NGC Headquarters
<http://www.shopgardenclub.org/shop>

Suggested Reading

"Botany for Gardeners" by Brian Capon available at Walmart or Amazon.com

Course IV - Highlights

PLANT CLASSIFICATION AND NOMENCLATURE

- A. Overview of all studied plants
- B. Binomial nomenclature - naming system.
- C. Important flowering/foilage plant groups

OUTDOOR IDENTIFICATION OF PLANTS

- A. Plant families
- B. Key/glossary and identification of plants (hand lens required)

SPECIALIZED STYLES OF GARDENING

- A. Sun/Shade gardening
- B. Greenhouse
- C. Organic
- D. Rock gardens/alpine gardens
- E. Hot beds and cold frames
- F. Hydroponics and aquaponics

TECHNIQUES FOR GROWING WOODY ORNAMENTALS

- A. Plant selection and environmental factors
- B. When and how to plant
- C. Training and pruning
- D. Specific problems and solutions

PRUNING TECHNIQUES

- A. Choice of varieties (organic, non-GMO, non-organic)
- B. When and how to plant
- C. Crop rotation and inter-planting
- D. Pest control
- E. Problems and solutions

SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECT

Invasive Plants in Florida

Open to Everyone!

Gardening School courses are open to everyone, regardless of National Garden Club, Inc. membership. Each of the 4 courses has an optional exam. NGC members wishing to apply to be NGC Gardening Consultants must take all four courses and pass each exam (Open book).

Non-members fulfilling the above requirements may apply to be Consultants upon joining an NGC affiliated club within one calendar year of the completion date of the 4th course.

All students attending the course will receive a Certificate of Achievement.



To take advantage of this opportunity, fill out the registration form on the reverse side of the brochure and send it with your check to Lakewood Ranch Garden Club.